# **Regular Meeting**

| Agenda Item#        | 3 and 4             |
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| <b>Meeting Date</b> | March 28, 2005      |
| Prepared By         | Barbara B. Matthews |
| Approved By         |                     |

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| Discussion Item          | Resolution authorizing sale of property located at 8425 Piney Branch Road and at 8435 Piney Branch Road  |
| Background               | In 2002, the City purchased properties located at 8425 and 8435 Piney Branch Road for the purpose of constructing a parking garage. It was subsequently determined that the plans for developing the properties in this manner would no longer be pursued and that the properties would be sold.  The FY05 budget included revenues to be generated from the sale of the properties, |
|                          | with the proceeds designated for the Community Center Fund. Staff recommends that the properties be sold through a competitive sealed bid process. A pre-bid inspection of the properties will be held, the date and time of which will be included in the required public notice of sale.   |
| Policy                   | Section 401(b)41 of the Municipal Charter of the City of Takoma Park provides that the legislative powers of the Council shall include the power "to convey any real or leasehold property when no longer needed for public use, after having given at least twenty days public notice of the proposed conveyance"   |
| Fiscal Impact            | Cost of public notice announcing sale of properties  |
| Attachments              | Draft resolution authorizing sale of property located at 8425 Piney Branch Road  |
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| Recommendation           | Staff recommends that the Council adopt the attached resolutions, authorizing the sale of City-owned property located at 8425 Piney Branch Road and at 8435 Piney Branch Road.   |
| Special<br>Consideration |  |

### RESOLUTION #2005-

## Resolution Declaring that the Property at 8425 Piney Branch Road is Not Needed by the City For Public Use and Authorizing the Sale of the Property and Notice of the Sale

- WHEREAS, the property at 8425 Piney Branch Road in the City of Takoma Park is improved with a vacant single-family structure; and,
- WHEREAS, the City of Takoma Park acquired title to the property at 8425 Piney Branch Road from Carlos Reyes et al by Deed on September 25, 2002, and recorded in Liber 21863, Folio 251; and,
- WHEREAS, it was determined that previous plans for developing the property should not be pursued; and,
- WHEREAS, the property is not needed by the City of Takoma Park for the public use; and,
- WHEREAS, sale of the property was anticipated by the City Council in the adoption of the FY05 budget (Ordinance #2004-15) and the proceeds of such sale were designated for the Community Center Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, THAT the property at 8425 Piney Branch Road is not needed by the City for public use and the Council authorizes the sale of the property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City shall give not less than twenty (20) days public notice that the property at 8425 Piney Branch Road is for sale and shall seek competitive sealed bids for the purchase of the property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, in accordance with Section 401(b)41 of the Municipal Charter of the City of Takoma Park, public notice of this proposed conveyance of the property at 8425 Piney Branch Road shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation at least 20 days before the sale of the property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City Manager is instructed to issue and invitation for bids for the purchase of the property at 8425 Piney Branch Road, specifying the terms of sale, to give public notice of the invitation for bids, and to set procedures for the City to open and evaluate the bids.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a contract for the sale and purchase of the property at 8425 Piney Branch Road shall be awarded by the City Council with reasonable promptness to the most responsible and responsive bidder whose bid meets the requirements and criteria set forth in the invitation for bids; provided, however, that the invitation for bids may be canceled, or any or all bids may be rejected, when it is in the best interests of the City to do so.

| Approved this             | day of 2005. |
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| Attest:                   |              |
| Catherine E. Waters, City | Clerk        |

### RESOLUTION #2005-

### Resolution Declaring that the Property at 8435 Piney Branch Road is Not Needed by the City For Public Use and Authorizing the Sale of the Property and Notice of the Sale

- WHEREAS, the property at 8435 Piney Branch Road in the City of Takoma Park is improved with a vacant commercial structure; and,
- WHEREAS, the City of Takoma Park acquired title to the property at 8435 Piney Branch Road from Carlos Reyes et al by Deed on September 25, 2002, and recorded in Liber 21863, Folio 251; and,
- WHEREAS, it was determined that previous plans for developing the property should not be pursued; and,
- WHEREAS, the property is not needed by the City of Takoma Park for the public use; and,
- WHEREAS, sale of the property was anticipated by the City Council in the adoption of the FY05 budget (Ordinance #2004-15) and the proceeds of such sale were designated for the Community Center Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, THAT the property at 8435 Piney Branch Road is not needed by the City for public use and the Council authorizes the sale of the property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City shall give not less than twenty (20) days public notice that the property at 8425 Piney Branch Road is for sale and shall seek competitive sealed bids for the purchase of the property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, in accordance with Section 401(b) 41 of the Municipal Charter of the City of Takoma Park, public notice of this proposed conveyance of the property at 8435 Piney Branch Road shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation at least 20 days before the sale of the property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City Manager is instructed to issue and invitation for bids for the purchase of the property at 8435 Piney Branch Road, specifying the terms of sale, to give public notice of the invitation for bids, and to set procedures for the City to open and evaluate the bids.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a contract for the sale and purchase of the property at 8435 Piney Branch Road shall be awarded by the City Council with reasonable promptness to the most responsible and responsive bidder whose bid meets the requirements and criteria set forth in the invitation for bids; provided, however, that the invitation for bids may be canceled, or any or all bids may be rejected, when it is in the best interests of the City to do so.

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